

Due to the rapidly declining quality of programming available on standard radio, I recently switched to XM Satellite Radio. In addition to the excellent variety of music and news channels which are not available on standard radio, I was very delighted when XM added traffic and weather reports recently. However, I have been informed that the National Association of Broadcasters is lobbying hard to remove these traffic and weather reports from satellite radio. To allow this to happen would be an enormous step in the wrong direction and the NAB should not be permitted to dictate what radio content I am permitted to hear, especially where I have chosen to pay for my radio service. I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's Petition 04-160 and to support XM Satellite Radio's ability to continue providing local traffic and weather reports.